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- U.S. Patent 5,557,518 to Rosen relates to a system for open electronic commerce having trusted agents for secure communications.
- U.S. Patent 5,629,982 to Micali relates to methods for simultaneous electronic transactions with visible trusted parties.

- U.S. Patent 5,666,420 to Micali relates to simultaneous electronic transactions in the presence of a trusted party.
- U.S. Patent 5,671,279 to Elgamal relates to an electronic commerce system using a secure courier.
- U.S. Patent 5,677,955 to Doggett et al. relates to a computer based method for electronically transferring funds using a verifiable certificate.
- U.S. Patent 5,715,314 to Payne et al. relates to a network sales system using an access message authenticator based upon a cryptographic key.
- U.S. Patent 5,757,917 to Rose et al. relates to a computerized payment system for purchasing goods and services on the Internet using an encrypted authorization code.
- U.S. Patent 5,790,677 to Fox et al. relates to a system and method for secure electronic commerce transactions using unique credentials and encryption.
- U.S. Patent 5,794,207 to Walker et al. relates to a method and apparatus for a cryptographically assisted commercial network system.
- U.S. Patent 5,809,144 to Sirbu et al. relates to a method and apparatus for purchasing and delivering goods over a network using an electronic signature and encryption.

U.S. Patent 6,141,653 to Conklin et al. relates to a system for iterative negotiations over a network using secure databases and encryption.

Respectfully submitted,

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